

TISPA – Dec 8 2015

Head of School Report

THANK YOU

A special thank you to all of the parents and teachers for their understanding and patience as Phase 2 construction has started. I have appreciated the extra time that parents have arranged to ensure that their children arrive safely to school. A number of staff has volunteered to assist with extra supervision while we adapt and refine our new routines.

Feedback on Previous Items – Tuition Increase & 2016-17 Calendars

Any questions raised from this information presented last month?

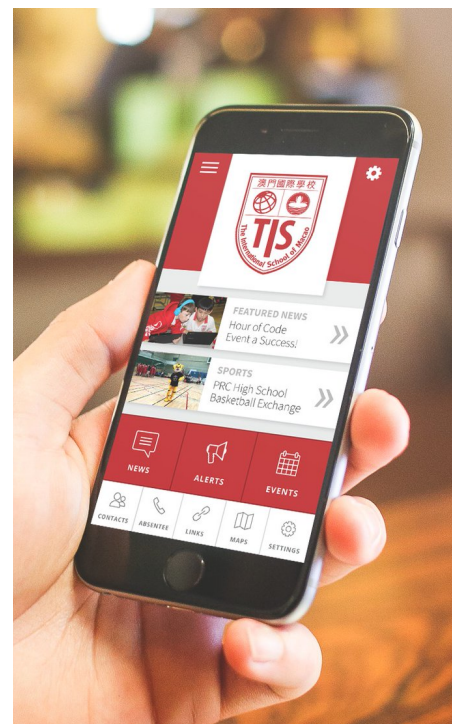
Communication and Engagement

TIS App – we are evaluating companies but plan to launch for CNY.

2016-17 Student Registration – Open House Feb 20 (JK-Gr12)

Alberta Accreditation Inspection

Leah Dushenski from Alberta Education will be here Feb 22-26. There will be some parent surveys and she would like to meet with TISPA reps. Dates & times will be confirmed.



Phase 2

Traffic

Bussing and Kiss n Ride are going well. There are ample parking spaces available between the hospital and gymnasium. The new gate by the main road has been a popular and convenient drop off area for parents. However, parents are reminded not to park their cars or to have drivers waiting in this area. Stopped vehicles create excessive congestion for everyone else. If parents need to accompany their children into the school, please park inside the campus and walk to the school. We DO NOT recommend dropping off young children on the main road. Please consider using the Kiss N Ride route.

Additional Security

Crossing Patrol added to Kiss N Ride lane.

Additional staff added to shuttle students to bussing and Kiss N Ride.

Limited traffic direction provided on the main road.

Launch Celebration

We will have an official launching ceremony on Feb 3 at 11am. There will be a time capsule, lion dance, and mural unveiling. Students will participate through a musical piece as well as acting as hosts and tour guides. We would like the TISPA executive to join us for the ceremony. A lunch for invited guests will follow at Seasons.

Ensuring Students are a Part of Phase 2

TIS is a community. Phase 2 is a project for the whole school and we want to ensure that students, parents and staff feel a part of this exciting development.

- Student Murals
- Safe Student Observation Points
- Student Input into the Outfitting of the Project and Redevelopment of Phase 1
- Parent or Community Meetings

Staffing

We are currently in the recruitment season for 2016-17. We have already completed our internal transfers and hired some staff. We currently have 19 vacancies. Dave and Mary-Anne have just returned from recruiting in Canada. We will be recruiting in Hong Kong, Edmonton, Toronto and Kingston in addition to the online interviews that we conduct every year.

This year we joined SEARCH Associates which is a leading recruitment agency for international schools. SEARCH candidates tend to be career international teachers from a variety of backgrounds. We are looking forward to continuing to add greater diversity to our teacher staff.

澳門國際學校家長會 (TISPA) – 1 月 12 日

校長的報告

感謝各位

特別感謝各位家長及老師就學校第二期擴建工程帶來的不便表現得十分體諒和有耐性，特別是家長們為了子女安全問題，在接送方面多花了些時間。學校正優化人員工作安排以配合變化。同時部份教職員也主動協助提供督導支援。

接收反饋的項目 – 2016–17 調升學費建議

自上月提出建議後何有任何查詢？

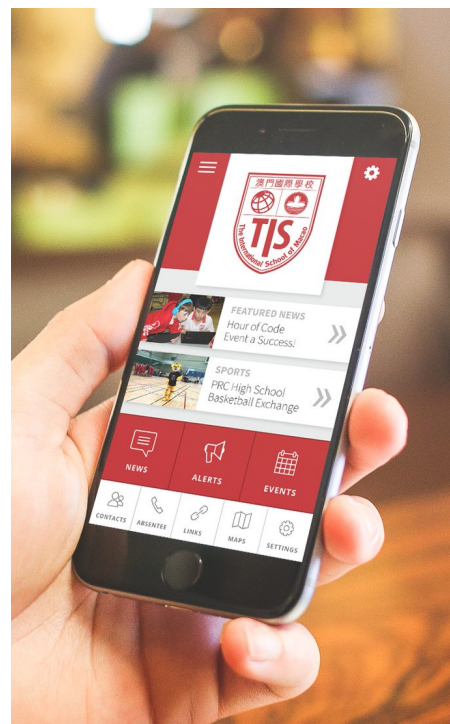
溝通與參與

TIS App – 本校尚對多間公司進行評估，預計農曆新年時推出。

2016-17 學生註冊 – 2 月 20 日開放日 (JK–Gr12)

艾伯塔省教育部評審

來自艾伯塔省教育部的 Leah Dushenski 將於 2 月 22 日至 26 日抵達本校。屆時她將提出一些針對家長的調查以及與家長會談。具體日期及時間尚待確定。



第二期興建工程

交通

校巴與 Kiss n Ride 都很順利，科大醫院和體育館之間有許多車位，校外主要車道處的新閘門更成了深受家長歡迎的下車位置。然而，本校仍需提醒家長切勿將車輛停泊在該處或靠邊等候，以免構成交通阻塞。若家長有需要陪同子女回校，請將車輛停泊在校園停車場並步行回校，或是善用 Kiss N Ride 的服務。校方絕不建議在主要車道上讓孩子們下車。

額外保安

增派過道指揮支援 Kiss n Ride。

增加人員，協助乘搭校巴及使用 Kiss n Ride 的學生上下車。

在校外主要車道提供有限度的交通指揮。

慶祝活動

本校將於 2 月 3 日上午 11 時舉行啟動慶祝活動，屆時會埋藏時間囊、舞獅以及學生作品揭幕等節目。學生們會透過音樂為活動表演外，還會接待嘉賓及充當嚮導。我們誠邀家長會主席及理事參與儀式。活動後獲邀嘉賓一同前往 Seasons 午膳。

確保學生是第二期興建工程的一份子

本校是一個社區鄰里，我們期望學生、家長以及教職員均有感對建設新校舍這項計劃參與其中。

- 學生的壁畫創作
- 重視學生的觀點

- 視學生為第一校舍的配置及重建計劃的一部分，讓學生參與現有校舍的再發展計劃
- 召開邀請家長或關係人與會會議

人員編制

本校正為 2016-17 年度招募新教職員，至今已完成內部轉職及聘請了一些員工，尚餘 19 個空缺。Dave 與 Mary-Anne 剛結束加拿大招聘之旅，接下來將繼續在香港、艾德蒙頓、多倫多以及京士頓等地進行年度的網絡招聘面談。

今年本校邀請了專為國際學校處理招聘事宜的頂尖公司 SEARCH Associates 合作，搜索具不同背景的國際性老師，期待持續為教員增添多樣性。